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My dear Mrs May:

Jam of Yesterday
day daly received. Jan letters
are so kind & interesting &
introduce me to so many of
the dear Saints — that, but
for taxing Ja overmuch, I
should beg Ja to keep on
for no limit. Is it just
these men & women, Scattered
here & there, who had the soul
of the matter in them & were
true & faithful when it cost
much to be that, whom I
want to find & Communicate
with or Send Circulars to,
whom, with members of their
families, we especially desire
to have present. One or two
hundred of them have al-
ready been thus invited &
we trust that there will be a

Should I get time to call on 7m for an hour some day

Boston & return Jan 13 what Darkest?

Revere week, what is a good train

large representation of
them at the meeting.

Joseph May cannot
accept as he fain would -
being much pressed with
work just now; but he sends
a capital letter. Mrs. Ames
has another Engagement on
the 26th & so is prevented. Much
to his regret. I am happy to
say that Miss Sarah H.
Southwick accepts & will Speak.
Joseph A. Allen, of Medfield,
will come, but his brother Na-
thaniel is in California. From
what Mrs A. H. Ward writes,
I judge Theodore D. Weld, her
father-in-law, will be present,
but she does not care to have
me call upon him to speak
& so I shall not ask him to
do so. It will be Enough to
have him with us. I have
mailed circulars to all the per-

Sons whose names You have
given me, I think, — in-
cluding such as are men-
tioned in Your last, — Excepting
those of the members I had
on previous lists. I had
sent a Circular to Deacon
J. S. Everett of Princeton, & he the same
as Your Joshua T. Everett of
Leominster? It does not
matter — for I have now sent
to the latter as I had already
sent to the former. Had also
sent to Mrs. Maria Miller
of Weymouth, or had ten
name. But some Jan mention
to me in Jan Tuesdays note,
are how to me & I need not
say how glad I am that
Jan thus make them known
to me. Our Memorial Meeting
should be opened with prayer
& I could wish that some
one who has not been asked
to speak, but who was faithful

in the great Struggle, or
who owned & espoused the
Colored race, might be
called upon to discharge
that office. How about
Rev. D. S. Whitney, Should
he be present; or Rev. Dr
Wm Young: or Rev. Peter
Randolph? I should pre
a Colored Brother for obvi
reasons. I'm what Ja Lo
I judge that perhaps Mr
that Mr. Randolph might
asked, though it would be
very appropriate to Requ
one who was a Slave to
voice the gratitude of the
audience & crave Divi
blessing in the Scene. Do
Ja know the Colored Pres
in & about Boston? Are
there others, who were form
Slaves, or who have been
well known for their Anti

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Anti-Slavery Zeal, or humane & worthy work? I have asked our good brother, Carlton A. Staples, to come down from Lexington — always an earnest friend of humanity. Rev. W.H. Fish, also. He might be called upon, most fitly. But we shall see, when the time comes & when we find who are present. Only I thought the matter might properly be referred to them & Jan might have some suggestion to make. I note also the name of Rev. Jehiel Claflin of E. Westmoreland, N.H. But I do not know Claflin, Mrs Whitney, Mrs Randolph — though all are invited, & I shall be glad to find them on the ground.

The more detailed account of Jansen I have in the Spencer Library, but

would thank You greatly
for it by day, as You may
have time to prepare it -
some time after the meeting,
or as soon as You can conveniently let me have it.
~~keep it~~. I know
about this when we meet.
But I should like to have
You tell me by letter, previous
to the meeting, just when You
Enlist upon Your Anti-Slavery
work, & what official relation
You sustain to any of the
Anti-Slavery Organizations -
with such other General information of the kind as You can
briefly give me without trouble.
Of course, we all know
much about You, as one of
the Earliest & the best of the
"Noble Army" - but there are
two or three things, indicated
above, which I should like
to have in mind in a more

definite form.

And now, my
dear & venerable friend,
I trust that the Good Father
of us all will keep Jas well
& give Jas strength to come,
with safety, to our Commem-
oration Meeting. And let
me say, as I say also to
Mr. Pillsbury, that we should
like to have Jas, & any mem-
ber or members of Jas family
with Jas, come down to Dan-
vers on the 25th & get well
rested for the 26th, & stay
as long as Jas can, & not
feel that Jas must return
home immediately after the
day's proceedings are ended.
I shall go to Danvers early
in the week to come, & shall
arrange for Jas hospitable
Entertainment, & will then
communicate with Jas further.

I Know not how the tra
run from Leominster, bu
Leicester
wherever Jou may arrive
at Danvers, Some one wi
meet Jou + Jours at the St
tion, according to Some
previously understood Ar
Sagement.

Our plan for
meeting grows as the da
advance + I am Entert
of the opinion that the
occasion will be fruitf
of the highest Good + will
be one long to be remembe

Faithfully Jour

A. S. Putna

Rev. Samuel May.

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